



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: District Superintendents

FROM: Molly M. Spearman
State Superintendent of Education

DATE: February 5, 2016

RE: Notice to District Superintendents: Free SANS Security Training and Certification Participation

The South Carolina K–12 Schools Technology Initiative Committee (K–12 Committee) began a free security training pilot program last summer. This pilot program provides one voucher per district for online-based professional development (self-paced) security training and a certification exam. The voucher provides access to SANS OnDemand/VLive classes and a Global Information Assurance Certification (GIAC), which are two nationally recognized security training programs.

During the annual K–12 Committee Partner’s and Principal’s meeting, the state Division of Technology (DT) reported a lack of district participation to help improve the cyber and information security proficiencies among districts statewide.

Your district has been identified as having expressed interest in this offer by providing a designated individual to redeem this free voucher bundle, which will expire July 7, 2016. However, this designated individual has not activated the online voucher. If your district would like to participate in this pilot program, please contact James Gordon, Division of Technology, at (803) 896-0388 as soon as possible.

For your reference, the enclosed memo was originally sent to all district superintendents and district technology leaders last year.

Enclosure